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Hunter Education Instructors,

I would like to extend a personal invitation to attend a 2012 Hunter Education (HE) Instructor Workshop. This regional training will be held in Pinedale, WY at the WGFD Pinedale Office, 432 Mill St., **May 5<sup>th</sup>** from 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. An Internet field day will be conducted from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. that morning with any instructor interested in becoming an Internet Field Day assessor welcome to attend. The afternoon HE workshop is intended to clarify the expectations for HE Instructors and to provide tools and techniques for engaging students.

As part of our efforts to provide current materials, we will view new HE videos and discuss the value for today's audience. HE Tools will be presented and offered to those teaching teams using laptop and PPT technologies in their classes. Hands-on activities, such as a Hunter Safety Trail for Field Days, will be demonstrated to encourage more instructors to adequately meet the requirements of assessing firearms handling. Bear awareness training aids will also be demonstrated.

This workshop is open to long time HE instructors as well as potential new instructors. The insights of our proven cadre members are valued for the HE teaching team and the opportunity to discuss issues and concerns is included in the agenda. This will be the only workshop scheduled for the Pinedale region in 2012. Instructors are invited to other regional workshops if this date does not fit into personal schedules. Other 2012 in-service workshops have taken place in Green River, Cheyenne, and Rawlins. The time frame is scheduled for a five hour work session with pizza and pop provided. The most important component of the agenda will be the programmatic changes and updates ensuring a consistent message to all those teaching and/or taking Wyoming HE.

The 2012 new instructor academy will be held at the WGFD Whiskey Mountain Conservation Camp June 22<sup>nd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> and is open to any new (within the last five years) or pending instructors.

Registration is required for all workshops so equipment, supplies, and lunch can be provided at the session. If you have any questions please call Jim Dawson at (307) 473-3439 or Margaret James at (307) 777-4538. I hope to see you there and thanks for all that you do to build the foundation for future safe responsible hunters.

Sincerely,

Jim Dawson, WGFD Hunter Education Coordinator

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